

REMARKS

Claims 1-7, 18-24, 31-33, and 35-36 remain in the application. Claim 1 is amended by incorporating therein the limitations of claim 34, which is canceled. Claim 18 is amended by incorporating therein the limitations of claim 38, which is canceled. Claims 13-17, 24-30, and 37 are canceled.

In a Decision rendered by the Board of Appeals and Interferences as a result of an appeal from a final rejection by the Examiner, the Board affirmed the Examiner as to the rejections of claims 1-7, 13-23, 27-33, and 35-37 and reversed the Examiner as to the rejection of claims 33, 34, and 38. Claims 33 and 34 depend from claim 1 and claim 38 depends from claim 18.

Applicant herein amends claim 1 to incorporate the limitations of claim 33 and cancels claim 33. Applicant herein amends claim 18 to incorporate the limitations of claim 38 and cancels claim 38. Further, claims 13-17, 24-30, and 37 are canceled. Consequently, only allowable claims remain in the application.

Applicants respectfully request allowance of all pending claims.

The Examiner is requested to phone the undersigned if the Examiner believes such would facilitate prosecution of the present application. The undersigned is available for telephone consultation at any time during normal business hours (Mountain Time Zone).

Respectfully submitted,

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